

THE LABOUR FORCE, AUSTRALIA, MAY 1992, PRELIMINARY

Care should be taken in the interpretation of month-to-month movements in the original and seasonally adjusted data. See paragraphs 13 to 16 of the Explanatory Notes.

MAIN FEATURES

The May 1992 seasonally adjusted estimate of **employed persons** was 7,663,000, a fall of 9,400 since April 1992. Full-time employment fell by 16,300 to 5,863,700 with a fall of 22,100 in the number of males employed full time. Part-time employment increased by 6,900 to 1,799,200, with an increase of 15,600 in male part-time employment outweighing a fall of 8,700 in the number of females employed part time.

Trend estimates of total employment have shown small decreases in the last three months. For full-time employ-

ment, trend estimates have been falling since July 1990 while trend estimates of part-time employment have been increasing since September 1991. Among the States, trend estimates of employment are now increasing in New South Wales and Western Australia, relatively steady in Queensland and decreasing in Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania (see graphs on page 2).

The seasonally adjusted estimate of **unemployed persons** rose by 19,200 to 905,900 in May 1992. Male unemployment increased by 12,600 to 564,200, with a rise of 10,800 in the number of males seeking full-time work. Female unemployment rose by 6,600 to 341,700, mainly due to an increase of 5,400 in the number of females seeking part-time work. Trend estimates of total unemployment have been steady since January 1992, with the rising trend in persons seeking full-time work broadly balanced by the falling trend for those seeking part-time work.

The seasonally adjusted estimate of the **unemployment rate** was 10.6% in May 1992, an increase of 0.2 percentage points since April 1992. For males, the unemployment rate rose by 0.2 percentage points to 11.3% while for females, the unemployment rate also rose by 0.2 percentage points to 9.6%. For 15 to 19 year olds seeking full-time work, the rate was 34.1% in May 1992 compared with 32.7% in April 1992. Trend estimates of the total unemployment rate have been steady at 10.5% since January 1992.

The May 1992 seasonally adjusted estimates of the unemployment rate for the States were: New South Wales 9.7%, Victoria 11.8%, Queensland 10.4%, South Australia 12.4%, Western Australia 10.6% and Tasmania 11.8%. Trend estimates of the unemployment rate are declining in New South Wales and Western Australia, steady in Queensland and increasing in Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania (see graphs on page 3).

The seasonally adjusted estimate of the **labour force participation rate** for May 1992 was 62.7%, unchanged from April 1992. The participation rate was steady both for males (at 74.2%) and for females (at 51.4%). Trend estimates of the participation rate have been falling since February 1992 and now stand at 62.7%.

EMPLOYED PERSONS: TREND SERIES



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE: TREND SERIES



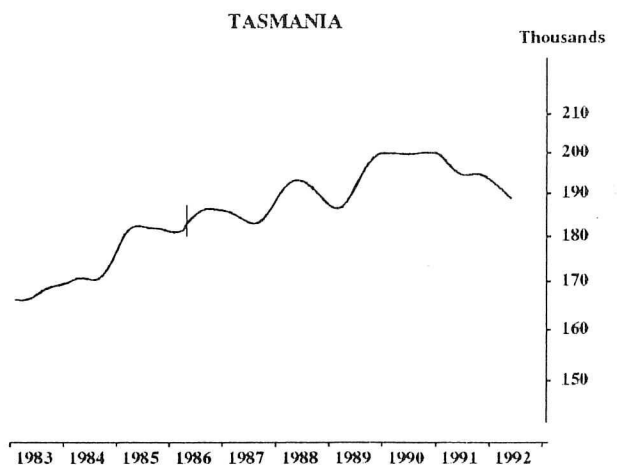
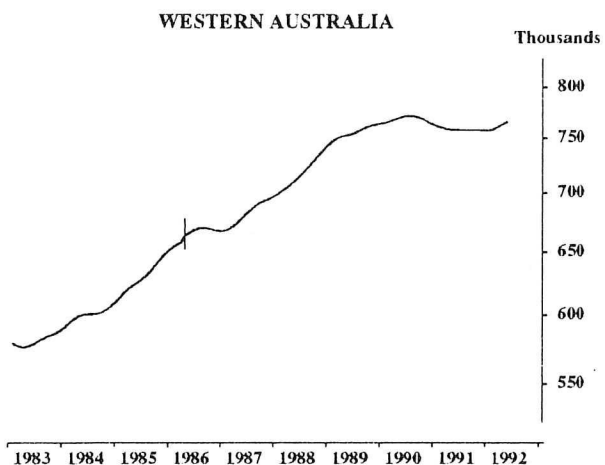
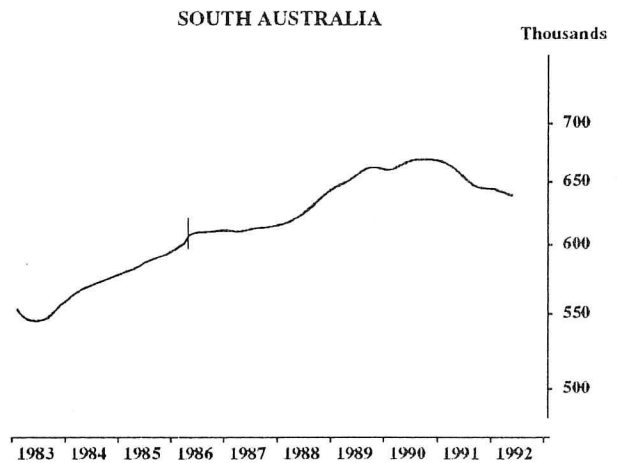
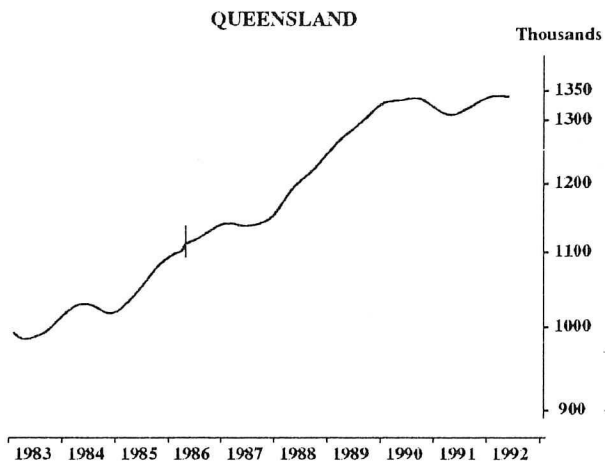
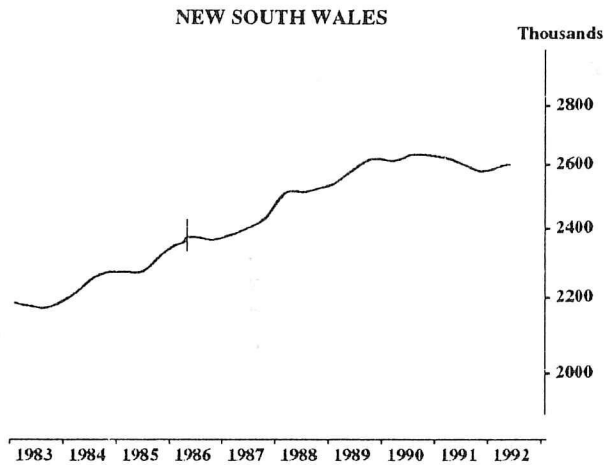
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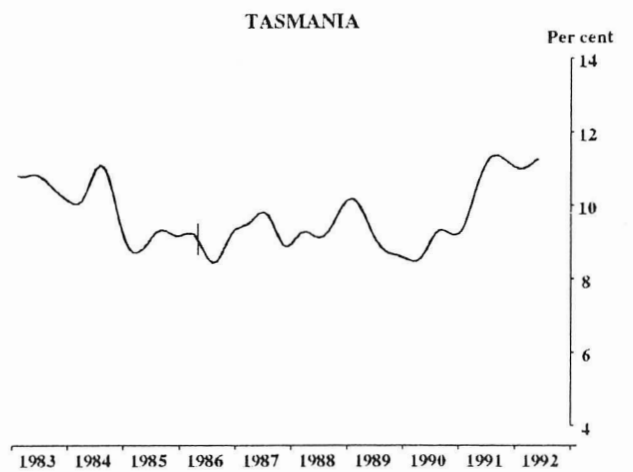
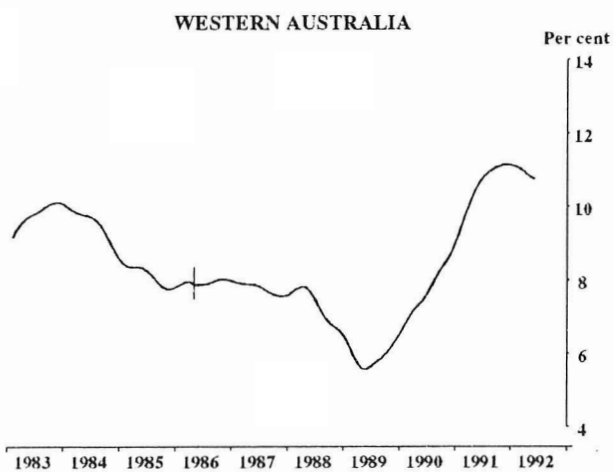
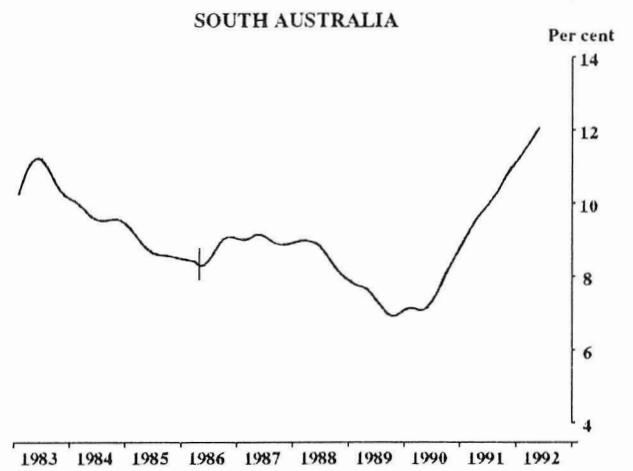
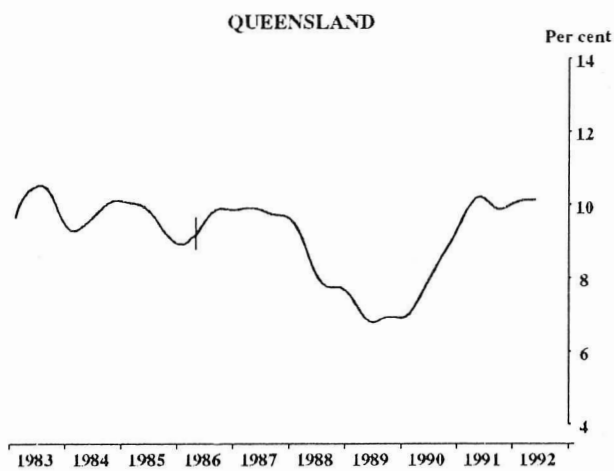
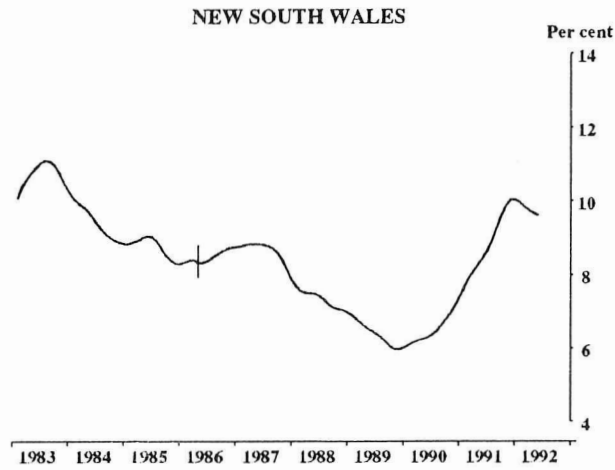
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EMPLOYED PERSONS : TREND SERIES

The graphs on this page have been drawn to a semi-logarithmic scale to enable comparisons to be made of rates of change — See paragraph 17 of the Explanatory Notes.



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE : TREND SERIES



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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER

Month	Unemployed										
	Employed		Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work	Total	Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15 and over	Unemployment rate - per	Participation rate - cent -
			Aged 15-19	Total							
	Full-time workers	Total	looking for first job	Total	- '000 -						
	MALES										
1991 —											
March	4,111.1	4,513.5	24.5	426.3	57.3	483.5	4,997.0	1,635.1	6,632.1	9.7	75.3
April	4,084.4	4,504.9	23.7	445.3	58.5	503.8	5,008.7	1,632.2	6,640.9	10.1	75.4
May	4,086.9	4,496.2	21.9	436.7	49.8	486.5	4,982.7	1,667.0	6,649.7	9.8	74.9
June	4,069.9	4,487.5	19.4	427.5	34.2	461.7	4,949.2	1,709.4	6,658.6	9.3	74.3
July	4,046.4	4,440.3	24.0	448.6	39.6	488.2	4,928.4	1,738.1	6,666.6	9.9	73.9
August	4,035.4	4,443.7	25.0	465.4	37.2	502.6	4,946.3	1,728.3	6,674.6	10.2	74.1
September	4,065.3	4,492.0	28.6	476.1	47.2	523.3	5,015.3	1,667.3	6,682.6	10.4	75.1
October	4,075.4	4,473.4	22.4	453.9	40.5	494.5	4,967.9	1,723.4	6,691.2	10.0	74.2
November	4,021.3	4,456.3	31.4	466.8	33.3	500.1	4,956.3	1,743.5	6,699.8	10.1	74.0
December	4,098.1	4,508.6	49.2	503.2	54.5	557.7	5,066.2	1,642.2	6,708.4	11.0	75.5
1992 —											
January	4,024.1	4,424.7	50.6	540.9	50.1	591.0	5,015.7	1,700.9	6,716.6	11.8	74.7
February	4,015.1	4,448.3	43.9	542.9	52.2	595.1	5,043.4	1,681.3	6,724.7	11.8	75.0
March	4,003.5	4,459.2	36.6	520.7	49.1	569.8	5,029.0	1,703.9	6,732.8	11.3	74.7
April	4,002.1	4,459.0	31.9	506.7	42.3	549.0	5,007.9	1,732.1	6,740.1	11.0	74.3
May	3,982.8	4,449.7	35.7	527.3	41.7	569.0	5,018.7	1,728.6	6,747.3	11.3	74.4
Standard error of —											
May 1992 estimates	18.2	19.0	2.7	8.6	2.9	8.9	19.8	13.6	..	0.2	0.3
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	13.9	14.5	2.4	6.5	2.5	6.7	15.1	10.2	..	0.1	0.2
FEMALES											
1991 —											
March	1,906.1	3,233.1	25.0	224.0	117.1	341.1	3,574.1	3,227.2	6,801.4	9.5	52.6
April	1,910.7	3,245.6	22.7	238.6	113.9	352.5	3,598.2	3,212.2	6,810.3	9.8	52.8
May	1,905.7	3,242.7	22.6	238.0	87.7	325.7	3,568.4	3,250.9	6,819.3	9.1	52.3
June	1,896.6	3,229.1	21.1	216.8	85.7	302.5	3,531.6	3,296.7	6,828.3	8.6	51.7
July	1,889.7	3,183.7	18.4	232.1	81.5	313.6	3,497.3	3,339.8	6,837.1	9.0	51.2
August	1,907.6	3,225.5	18.0	221.6	81.8	303.4	3,528.9	3,317.0	6,845.9	8.6	51.5
September	1,924.8	3,270.8	17.3	238.8	105.1	343.9	3,614.7	3,240.1	6,854.8	9.5	52.7
October	1,926.9	3,214.4	19.5	223.0	84.1	307.1	3,521.5	3,342.6	6,864.2	8.7	51.3
November	1,879.8	3,217.9	18.2	232.5	84.9	317.4	3,535.3	3,338.2	6,873.5	9.0	51.4
December	1,942.8	3,270.9	38.2	264.8	97.9	362.7	3,633.6	3,249.3	6,882.9	10.0	52.8
1992 —											
January	1,919.3	3,146.2	40.1	280.4	88.3	368.7	3,514.8	3,377.0	6,891.8	10.5	51.0
February	1,904.8	3,202.6	40.3	297.9	104.7	402.6	3,605.2	3,295.5	6,900.7	11.2	52.2
March	1,889.7	3,245.3	30.4	265.2	114.2	379.3	3,624.6	3,285.1	6,909.7	10.5	52.5
April	1,864.4	3,237.5	30.2	267.2	94.7	361.9	3,599.4	3,318.7	6,918.1	10.1	52.0
May	1,872.0	3,237.7	30.6	262.2	89.3	351.5	3,589.2	3,337.2	6,926.4	9.8	51.8
Standard error of —											
May 1992 estimates	14.0	17.0	2.5	6.5	4.1	7.3	17.6	17.2	..	0.2	0.3
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	10.5	12.8	2.2	5.0	3.4	5.6	13.4	13.0	..	0.2	0.2
PERSONS											
1991 —											
March	6,017.3	7,746.5	49.5	650.2	174.4	824.6	8,571.1	4,862.3	13,433.5	9.6	63.8
April	5,995.0	7,750.5	46.4	683.9	172.4	856.3	8,606.8	4,844.4	13,451.2	9.9	64.0
May	5,992.6	7,738.9	44.5	674.7	137.5	812.2	8,551.1	4,917.9	13,469.0	9.5	63.5
June	5,966.5	7,716.7	40.6	644.3	119.8	764.1	8,480.8	5,006.0	13,486.8	9.0	62.9
July	5,936.0	7,624.0	42.4	680.7	121.1	801.7	8,425.7	5,078.0	13,503.7	9.5	62.4
August	5,943.0	7,669.2	43.0	687.0	119.1	806.0	8,475.2	5,045.3	13,520.5	9.5	62.7
September	5,990.1	7,762.8	45.8	714.9	152.3	867.2	8,630.0	4,907.4	13,537.5	10.0	63.7
October	6,002.3	7,687.8	41.9	676.9	124.6	801.6	8,489.4	5,066.0	13,555.4	9.4	62.6
November	5,901.0	7,674.1	49.6	699.3	118.2	817.5	8,491.6	5,081.7	13,573.3	9.6	62.6
December	6,041.0	7,779.5	87.3	767.9	152.4	920.4	8,699.8	4,891.5	13,591.3	10.6	64.0
1992 —											
January	5,943.4	7,570.9	90.7	821.3	138.4	959.7	8,530.5	5,077.9	13,608.4	11.2	62.7
February	5,919.9	7,650.9	84.2	840.8	156.9	997.7	8,648.6	4,976.8	13,625.4	11.5	63.5
March	5,893.2	7,704.4	67.0	785.8	163.3	949.1	8,653.6	4,988.9	13,642.5	11.0	63.4
April	5,866.5	7,696.4	62.2	773.8	137.0	910.9	8,607.3	5,050.8	13,658.1	10.6	63.0
May	5,854.8	7,687.5	66.2	789.5	130.9	920.4	8,607.9	5,065.8	13,673.7	10.7	63.0
Standard error of —											
May 1992 estimates	20.8	22.8	3.6	10.1	4.9	10.7	23.6	19.8	..	0.1	0.2
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	16.0	17.7	3.0	7.6	3.9	8.0	18.5	15.2	..	0.1	0.1

TABLE 2. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

TABLE 2. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE PERSONNEL ADJUSTED SERIES									
Month	Employed		Unemployed				Labour force	Unemployment rate - per cent -	Participation rate
			Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work	Total			
	Aged 15-19 looking for first job	Total							
	Full-time workers	Total		'000 -					
MALES									
1991 —									
March	4,118.2	4,512.1	25.0	418.6	47.3	465.9	4,977.9	9.4	75.1
April	4,090.5	4,496.4	27.3	452.0	52.9	505.0	5,001.4	10.1	75.3
May	4,091.3	4,492.0	25.9	434.7	47.9	482.6	4,974.5	9.7	74.8
June	4,074.7	4,485.5	26.5	443.7	42.4	486.1	4,971.6	9.8	74.7
July	4,036.3	4,438.9	30.5	457.4	43.9	501.3	4,940.2	10.1	74.1
August	4,064.8	4,478.1	29.9	471.3	44.9	516.2	4,994.3	10.3	74.8
September	4,057.2	4,470.2	32.4	477.1	45.9	523.0	4,993.2	10.5	74.7
October	4,062.4	4,463.4	29.4	489.9	44.2	534.1	4,997.5	10.7	74.7
November	4,032.2	4,457.7	35.9	498.7	42.2	540.8	4,998.5	10.8	74.6
December	4,050.4	4,461.6	32.4	498.0	47.2	545.2	5,006.8	10.9	74.6
1992 —									
January	4,046.1	4,468.0	30.8	492.8	45.9	538.7	5,006.7	10.8	74.5
February	4,010.5	4,470.0	34.5	500.2	46.3	546.5	5,016.5	10.9	74.6
March	4,011.8	4,458.3	37.4	511.4	40.5	551.9	5,010.2	11.0	74.4
April	4,008.3	4,449.3	36.9	513.4	38.2	551.6	5,000.9	11.0	74.2
May	3,986.1	4,442.8	42.4	524.2	40.0	564.2	5,006.9	11.3	74.2
FEMALES									
1991 —									
March	1,907.3	3,219.5	24.9	214.7	95.5	310.2	3,529.8	8.8	51.9
April	1,917.6	3,231.7	25.0	227.9	95.5	323.5	3,555.1	9.1	52.2
May	1,911.7	3,226.2	25.7	233.2	83.6	316.7	3,542.9	8.9	52.0
June	1,913.1	3,223.6	23.9	225.6	92.5	318.1	3,541.8	9.0	51.9
July	1,885.0	3,189.0	22.9	239.0	91.1	330.1	3,519.2	9.4	51.5
August	1,937.1	3,246.6	22.5	233.2	92.8	326.0	3,572.6	9.1	52.2
September	1,915.5	3,225.8	21.5	249.2	97.7	346.9	3,572.6	9.7	52.1
October	1,925.3	3,214.5	24.5	246.3	90.0	336.3	3,550.8	9.5	51.7
November	1,876.1	3,197.5	25.0	256.9	96.4	353.3	3,550.9	10.0	51.7
December	1,901.9	3,225.7	25.2	259.6	102.9	362.5	3,588.2	10.1	52.1
1992 —									
January	1,917.2	3,249.9	25.1	256.4	99.0	355.4	3,605.3	9.9	52.3
February	1,909.2	3,235.5	31.3	266.0	95.3	361.3	3,596.7	10.0	52.1
March	1,891.3	3,232.5	30.4	254.8	93.3	348.2	3,580.6	9.7	51.8
April	1,871.7	3,223.0	33.4	255.6	79.5	335.1	3,558.2	9.4	51.4
May	1,877.6	3,220.2	34.6	256.8	84.9	341.7	3,561.9	9.6	51.4
PERSONS									
1991 —									
March	6,025.6	7,731.6	49.9	633.3	142.8	776.1	8,507.7	9.1	63.3
April	6,008.1	7,728.1	52.3	679.9	148.5	828.4	8,556.5	9.7	63.6
May	6,003.1	7,718.2	51.6	667.8	131.5	799.3	8,517.5	9.4	63.2
June	5,987.8	7,709.1	50.4	669.3	134.9	804.2	8,513.3	9.4	63.1
July	5,921.3	7,628.0	53.4	696.4	135.0	831.4	8,459.4	9.8	62.6
August	6,001.9	7,724.7	52.4	704.5	137.7	842.2	8,566.9	9.8	63.4
September	5,972.7	7,696.0	53.9	726.3	143.6	869.8	8,565.8	10.2	63.3
October	5,987.7	7,678.0	53.9	736.2	134.2	870.3	8,548.3	10.2	63.1
November	5,908.4	7,655.2	60.9	755.6	138.6	894.2	8,549.4	10.5	63.0
December	5,952.3	7,687.3	57.6	757.6	150.1	907.6	8,595.0	10.6	63.2
1992 —									
January	5,963.3	7,717.9	55.9	749.2	144.9	894.1	8,612.0	10.4	63.3
February	5,919.7	7,705.5	65.8	766.1	141.6	907.8	8,613.2	10.5	63.2
March	5,903.1	7,690.8	67.8	766.2	133.9	900.1	8,590.9	10.5	63.0
April	5,880.0	7,672.3	70.3	769.0	117.7	886.7	8,559.0	10.4	62.7
May	5,863.7	7,663.0	77.0	780.9	125.0	905.9	8,568.8	10.6	62.7

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			Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work	Total			
	Full-time workers	Total	Aged 15-19 looking for first job	Total					
MALES									
1991 —									
March	4,124.4	4,521.2	25.2	415.5	46.8	462.2	4,983.4	9.3	75.1
April	4,100.5	4,502.4	25.8	429.3	47.3	476.6	4,979.0	9.6	75.0
May	4,081.6	4,486.7	26.7	441.2	47.2	488.4	4,975.1	9.8	74.8
June	4,068.6	4,475.4	27.8	451.3	46.4	497.7	4,973.0	10.0	74.7
July	4,060.6	4,468.5	29.1	460.3	45.2	505.5	4,974.0	10.2	74.6
August	4,056.3	4,464.6	30.3	469.5	44.3	513.8	4,978.5	10.3	74.6
September	4,054.0	4,463.1	31.2	478.6	44.2	522.8	4,985.9	10.5	74.6
October	4,051.7	4,463.2	31.9	486.8	44.7	531.5	4,994.7	10.6	74.6
November r	4,048.3	4,464.4	32.3	492.8	45.3	538.0	5,002.4	10.8	74.7
December r	4,042.1	4,464.9	32.7	496.5	45.2	541.8	5,006.7	10.8	74.6
1992 —									
January r	4,032.9	4,463.5	33.6	499.9	44.6	544.5	5,008.1	10.9	74.6
February r	4,022.8	4,461.2	34.8	503.9	43.6	547.5	5,008.7	10.9	74.5
March r	4,012.8	4,457.9	36.3	508.6	42.3	550.9	5,008.9	11.0	74.4
April r	4,003.2	4,454.0	38.0	513.5	40.9	554.4	5,008.4	11.1	74.3
May	3,995.9	4,450.0	39.3	517.8	39.7	557.6	5,007.5	11.1	74.2
FEMALES									
1991 —									
March	1,921.3	3,230.9	23.5	215.9	94.4	310.3	3,541.2	8.8	52.1
April	1,913.6	3,225.1	24.1	222.5	93.1	315.5	3,540.6	8.9	52.0
May	1,909.8	3,222.0	24.3	227.9	91.7	319.7	3,541.7	9.0	51.9
June	1,910.0	3,220.7	24.0	232.2	90.9	323.1	3,543.8	9.1	51.9
July	1,911.8	3,219.5	23.5	236.1	91.0	327.1	3,546.6	9.2	51.9
August	1,912.6	3,218.2	23.0	240.0	92.3	332.2	3,550.4	9.4	51.9
September	1,911.6	3,217.7	22.9	244.6	94.1	338.7	3,556.3	9.5	51.9
October	1,910.3	3,219.0	23.3	249.7	96.2	345.9	3,564.9	9.7	51.9
November r	1,908.6	3,222.4	24.3	254.4	97.7	352.1	3,574.5	9.9	52.0
December r	1,905.7	3,226.2	25.7	257.5	98.0	355.5	3,581.7	9.9	52.0
1992 —									
January r	1,901.7	3,229.3	27.4	258.9	96.8	355.6	3,585.0	9.9	52.0
February r	1,897.4	3,231.7	29.2	259.0	94.3	353.3	3,584.9	9.9	51.9
March r	1,892.2	3,231.9	31.0	258.6	91.0	349.6	3,581.5	9.8	51.8
April r	1,886.1	3,230.3	32.7	258.0	87.8	345.7	3,576.0	9.7	51.7
May	1,881.8	3,228.1	34.1	256.8	84.4	341.2	3,569.3	9.6	51.5
PERSONS									
1991 —									
March	6,045.7	7,752.1	48.7	631.4	141.2	772.5	8,524.7	9.1	63.5
April	6,014.1	7,727.5	49.8	651.7	140.4	792.2	8,519.6	9.3	63.3
May	5,991.3	7,708.7	50.9	669.1	139.0	808.1	8,516.7	9.5	63.2
June	5,978.6	7,696.1	51.9	683.5	137.3	820.8	8,516.8	9.6	63.1
July	5,972.3	7,688.0	52.6	696.4	136.2	832.6	8,520.6	9.8	63.1
August	5,968.8	7,682.8	53.2	709.5	136.6	846.1	8,528.9	9.9	63.1
September	5,965.6	7,680.8	54.1	723.2	138.3	861.4	8,542.2	10.1	63.1
October	5,962.0	7,682.2	55.2	736.5	140.9	877.3	8,559.6	10.2	63.1
November r	5,956.8	7,686.7	56.6	747.2	143.0	890.1	8,576.9	10.4	63.2
December r	5,947.8	7,691.1	58.5	754.0	143.2	897.2	8,588.3	10.4	63.2
1992 —									
January r	5,934.6	7,692.9	61.0	758.8	141.4	900.2	8,593.0	10.5	63.1
February r	5,920.2	7,692.9	64.0	762.9	137.9	900.8	8,593.6	10.5	63.1
March r	5,905.0	7,689.8	67.4	767.2	133.3	900.5	8,590.4	10.5	63.0
April r	5,889.3	7,684.3	70.6	771.4	128.7	900.2	8,584.4	10.5	62.9
May	5,877.7	7,678.1	73.4	774.7	124.1	898.8	8,576.8	10.5	62.7

TABLE 4. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: AUSTRALIA

TABLE 4. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: AUSTRALIA											
Month	Number looking for full-time work				Number looking for part-time work	Total	Unemployment rate				Total
	Aged 15-19		Aged 20 and over	Total -'000 -			Looking for full-time work			Looking for part-time work	
	Looking for first job	Total					Aged 15-19	Aged 20 and over	Total		
MALES											
1991 —											
March	24.5	60.2	366.1	426.3	57.3	483.5	23.9	8.5	9.4	12.5	9.7
April	23.7	65.2	380.1	445.3	58.5	503.8	26.2	8.9	9.8	12.2	10.1
May	21.9	61.4	375.3	436.7	49.8	486.5	25.9	8.8	9.7	10.8	9.8
June	19.4	59.4	368.1	427.5	34.2	461.7	25.8	8.6	9.5	7.6	9.3
July	24.0	62.0	386.6	448.6	39.6	488.2	25.8	9.1	10.0	9.1	9.9
August	25.0	62.0	403.3	465.4	37.2	502.6	27.0	9.4	10.3	8.4	10.2
September	28.6	62.9	413.2	476.1	47.2	523.3	27.0	9.6	10.5	10.0	10.4
October	22.4	56.5	397.5	453.9	40.5	494.5	24.4	9.2	10.0	9.2	10.0
November	31.4	62.5	404.3	466.8	33.3	500.1	27.3	9.5	10.4	7.1	10.1
December	49.2	80.6	422.6	503.2	54.5	557.7	30.3	9.7	10.9	11.7	11.0
1992 —											
January	50.6	88.6	452.3	540.9	50.1	591.0	33.4	10.5	11.8	11.1	11.8
February	43.9	79.1	463.8	542.9	52.2	595.1	32.5	10.7	11.9	10.7	11.8
March	36.6	70.5	450.1	520.7	49.1	569.8	30.9	10.5	11.5	9.7	11.3
April	31.9	61.9	444.8	506.7	42.3	549.0	28.2	10.4	11.2	8.5	11.0
May	35.7	67.8	459.5	527.3	41.7	569.0	30.0	10.7	11.7	8.2	11.3
Standard error of —											
May 1992 estimates	2.7	3.6	8.2	8.6	2.9	8.9	1.6	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.2
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	2.4	3.0	6.2	6.5	2.5	6.7	1.3	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.1
FEMALES											
1991 —											
March	25.0	47.9	176.1	224.0	117.1	341.1	27.1	9.0	10.5	8.1	9.5
April	22.7	44.2	194.4	238.6	113.9	352.5	25.2	9.8	11.1	7.9	9.8
May	22.6	49.7	188.3	238.0	87.7	325.7	28.1	9.6	11.1	6.2	9.1
June	21.1	44.6	172.2	216.8	85.7	302.5	27.2	8.8	10.3	6.0	8.6
July	18.4	46.5	185.6	232.1	81.5	313.6	27.4	9.5	10.9	5.9	9.0
August	18.0	45.8	175.8	221.6	81.8	303.4	29.3	8.9	10.4	5.8	8.6
September	17.3	47.0	191.8	238.8	105.1	343.9	28.9	9.6	11.0	7.2	9.5
October	19.5	44.8	178.2	223.0	84.1	307.1	27.8	9.0	10.4	6.1	8.7
November	18.2	43.7	188.8	232.5	84.9	317.4	29.8	9.6	11.0	6.0	9.0
December	38.2	66.3	198.5	264.8	97.9	362.7	35.7	9.8	12.0	6.9	10.0
1992 —											
January	40.1	66.2	214.2	280.4	88.3	368.7	36.8	10.6	12.7	6.7	10.5
February	40.3	67.9	230.0	297.9	104.7	402.6	40.3	11.3	13.5	7.5	11.2
March	30.4	54.5	210.6	265.2	114.2	379.3	36.2	10.5	12.3	7.8	10.5
April	30.2	54.7	212.4	267.2	94.7	361.9	36.6	10.7	12.5	6.5	10.1
May	30.6	57.1	205.1	262.2	89.3	351.5	38.8	10.3	12.3	6.1	9.8
Standard error of —											
May 1992 estimates	2.5	3.4	5.9	6.5	4.1	7.3	2.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	2.2	2.8	4.6	5.0	3.4	5.6	1.9	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
PERSONS											
1991 —											
March	49.5	108.1	542.2	650.2	174.4	824.6	25.2	8.7	9.8	9.2	9.6
April	46.4	109.5	574.5	683.9	172.4	856.3	25.8	9.2	10.2	8.9	9.9
May	44.5	111.1	563.6	674.7	137.5	812.2	26.8	9.0	10.1	7.3	9.5
June	40.6	104.0	540.3	644.3	119.8	764.1	26.4	8.7	9.7	6.4	9.0
July	42.4	108.5	572.2	680.7	121.1	801.7	26.5	9.2	10.3	6.7	9.5
August	43.0	107.8	579.1	687.0	119.1	806.0	28.0	9.3	10.4	6.5	9.5
September	45.8	109.9	605.1	714.9	152.3	867.2	27.7	9.6	10.7	7.9	10.0
October	41.9	101.3	575.6	676.9	124.6	801.6	25.8	9.2	10.1	6.9	9.4
November	49.6	106.2	593.2	699.3	118.2	817.5	28.3	9.5	10.6	6.2	9.6
December	87.3	146.9	621.0	767.9	152.4	920.4	32.5	9.8	11.3	8.1	10.6
1992 —											
January	90.7	154.8	666.5	821.3	138.4	959.7	34.8	10.5	12.1	7.8	11.2
February	84.2	147.0	693.7	840.8	156.9	997.7	35.7	10.9	12.4	8.3	11.5
March	67.0	125.0	660.8	785.8	163.3	949.1	33.0	10.5	11.8	8.3	11.0
April	62.2	116.7	657.2	773.8	137.0	910.9	31.6	10.5	11.7	7.0	10.6
May	66.2	124.9	664.6	789.5	130.9	920.4	33.5	10.6	11.9	6.7	10.7
Standard error of —											
May 1992 estimates	3.6	4.8	9.4	10.1	4.9	10.7	1.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	3.0	3.8	7.1	7.6	3.9	8.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1

TABLE 5. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

TABLE 5. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES											
Month	Number looking for full-time work				Number looking for part-time work	Total	Unemployment rate				Total
	Aged 15-19		Aged 20 and over	Total			Looking for full-time work			Looking for part-time work	
	Looking for first job	Total					Aged 15-19	Aged 20 and over	Total		
- '000 -											
- per cent -											
MALES											
1991 —											
March	25.0	62.6	355.9	418.6	47.3	465.9	24.7	8.3	9.2	10.7	9.4
April	27.3	69.6	382.4	452.0	52.9	505.0	27.3	8.9	10.0	11.5	10.1
May	25.9	65.6	369.1	434.7	47.9	482.6	26.7	8.6	9.6	10.7	9.7
June	26.5	65.8	377.9	443.7	42.4	486.1	27.4	8.8	9.8	9.4	9.8
July	30.5	67.4	390.0	457.4	43.9	501.3	27.8	9.2	10.2	9.8	10.1
August	29.9	65.7	405.5	471.3	44.9	516.2	27.2	9.4	10.4	9.8	10.3
September	32.4	67.3	409.8	477.1	45.9	523.0	27.7	9.5	10.5	10.0	10.5
October	29.4	66.0	423.9	489.9	44.2	534.1	27.1	9.8	10.8	9.9	10.7
November	35.9	70.2	428.5	498.7	42.2	540.8	28.5	10.0	11.0	9.0	10.8
December	32.4	66.0	432.0	498.0	47.2	545.2	27.4	10.0	10.9	10.3	10.9
1992 —											
January	30.8	66.1	426.7	492.8	45.9	538.7	28.6	9.9	10.9	9.8	10.8
February	34.5	68.5	431.6	500.2	46.3	546.5	30.4	10.1	11.1	9.2	10.9
March	37.4	73.5	437.9	511.4	40.5	551.9	31.9	10.2	11.3	8.3	11.0
April	36.9	66.1	447.3	513.4	38.2	551.6	29.4	10.4	11.4	8.0	11.0
May	42.4	72.5	451.6	524.2	40.0	564.2	30.8	10.6	11.6	8.1	11.3
FEMALES											
1991 —											
March	24.9	48.1	166.6	214.7	95.5	310.2	27.0	8.6	10.1	6.8	8.8
April	25.0	46.3	181.7	227.9	95.5	323.5	26.1	9.2	10.6	6.8	9.1
May	25.7	51.1	182.1	233.2	83.6	316.7	28.6	9.3	10.9	6.0	8.9
June	23.9	48.9	176.7	225.6	92.5	318.1	28.7	9.0	10.6	6.6	9.0
July	22.9	50.0	189.0	239.0	91.1	330.1	29.3	9.7	11.3	6.5	9.4
August	22.5	51.4	181.8	233.2	92.8	326.0	30.8	9.1	10.7	6.6	9.1
September	21.5	50.0	199.2	249.2	97.7	346.9	29.2	10.0	11.5	6.9	9.7
October	24.5	52.4	193.9	246.3	90.0	336.3	30.2	9.7	11.3	6.5	9.5
November	25.0	53.5	203.4	256.9	96.4	353.3	33.5	10.3	12.0	6.8	10.0
December	25.2	52.7	206.8	259.6	102.9	362.5	32.3	10.4	12.0	7.2	10.1
1992 —											
January	25.1	52.5	203.9	256.4	99.0	355.4	33.3	10.1	11.8	6.9	9.9
February	31.3	56.2	209.8	266.0	95.3	361.3	36.0	10.4	12.2	6.7	10.0
March	30.4	55.0	199.8	254.8	93.3	348.2	36.1	10.0	11.9	6.5	9.7
April	33.4	57.3	198.3	255.6	79.5	335.1	37.7	10.0	12.0	5.6	9.4
May	34.6	58.6	198.2	256.8	84.9	341.7	39.3	10.0	12.0	5.9	9.6
PERSONS											
1991 —											
March	49.9	110.8	522.5	633.3	142.8	776.1	25.7	8.4	9.5	7.7	9.1
April	52.3	115.8	564.1	679.9	148.5	828.4	26.8	9.0	10.2	7.9	9.7
May	51.6	116.7	551.2	667.8	131.5	799.3	27.5	8.8	10.0	7.1	9.4
June	50.4	114.7	554.6	669.3	134.9	804.2	27.9	8.9	10.1	7.3	9.4
July	53.4	117.4	579.1	696.4	135.0	831.4	28.4	9.3	10.5	7.3	9.8
August	52.4	117.1	587.4	704.5	137.7	842.2	28.7	9.3	10.5	7.4	9.8
September	53.9	117.3	609.0	726.3	143.6	869.8	28.3	9.7	10.8	7.7	10.2
October	53.9	118.3	617.9	736.2	134.2	870.3	28.4	9.8	10.9	7.4	10.2
November	60.9	123.6	631.9	755.6	138.6	894.2	30.5	10.1	11.3	7.4	10.5
December	57.6	118.7	638.8	757.6	150.1	907.6	29.4	10.1	11.3	8.0	10.6
1992 —											
January	55.9	118.6	630.6	749.2	144.9	894.1	30.5	10.0	11.2	7.6	10.4
February	65.8	124.7	641.4	766.1	141.6	907.8	32.7	10.2	11.5	7.3	10.5
March	67.8	128.5	637.7	766.2	133.9	900.1	33.6	10.1	11.5	7.0	10.5
April	70.3	123.4	645.7	769.0	117.7	886.7	32.7	10.3	11.6	6.2	10.4
May	77.0	131.1	649.8	780.9	125.0	905.9	34.1	10.4	11.8	6.5	10.6

TABLE 6. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: TREND SERIES

Month	Number looking for full-time work				Number looking for part-time work	Total	Unemployment rate				Total
	Aged 15-19		Aged 20 and over	Total			Looking for full-time work			Looking for part-time work	
	Looking for first job	Total					Aged 15-19	Aged 20 and over	Total		
- per cent -											
MALES											
1991 —											
March	25.2	62.4	353.0	415.5	46.8	462.2	24.5	8.2	9.2	10.5	9.3
April	25.8	64.2	365.1	429.3	47.3	476.6	25.7	8.5	9.5	10.5	9.6
May	26.7	65.7	375.5	441.2	47.2	488.4	26.7	8.8	9.8	10.4	9.8
June	27.8	66.7	384.6	451.3	46.4	497.7	27.4	9.0	10.0	10.2	10.0
July	29.1	67.1	393.3	460.3	45.2	505.5	27.7	9.2	10.2	10.0	10.2
August	30.3	67.0	402.6	469.5	44.3	513.8	27.6	9.4	10.4	9.8	10.3
September	31.2	66.8	411.8	478.6	44.2	522.8	27.5	9.6	10.6	9.7	10.5
October	31.9	67.0	419.8	486.8	44.7	531.5	27.6	9.8	10.7	9.8	10.6
November r	32.3	67.2	425.5	492.8	45.3	538.0	27.9	9.9	10.9	9.8	10.8
December r	32.7	67.6	429.0	496.5	45.2	541.8	28.4	10.0	10.9	9.7	10.8
1992 —											
January r	33.6	68.1	431.9	499.9	44.6	544.5	29.1	10.0	11.0	9.4	10.9
February r	34.8	68.7	435.3	503.9	43.6	547.5	29.7	10.1	11.1	9.0	10.9
March r	36.3	69.4	439.3	508.6	42.3	550.9	30.3	10.2	11.2	8.7	11.0
April r	38.0	70.0	443.4	513.5	40.9	554.4	30.7	10.3	11.4	8.3	11.1
May	39.3	70.5	447.3	517.8	39.7	557.6	31.0	10.4	11.5	8.0	11.1
FEMALES											
1991 —											
March	23.5	47.6	168.3	215.9	94.4	310.3	26.2	8.6	10.1	6.7	8.8
April	24.1	48.1	174.4	222.5	93.1	315.5	27.1	8.9	10.4	6.6	8.9
May	24.3	48.7	179.2	227.9	91.7	319.7	27.9	9.1	10.7	6.5	9.0
June	24.0	49.5	182.8	232.2	90.9	323.1	28.7	9.3	10.8	6.5	9.1
July	23.5	50.2	185.9	236.1	91.0	327.1	29.3	9.4	11.0	6.5	9.2
August	23.0	50.7	189.2	240.0	92.3	332.2	29.8	9.5	11.1	6.6	9.4
September	22.9	51.3	193.3	244.6	94.1	338.7	30.4	9.7	11.3	6.7	9.5
October	23.3	51.8	197.9	249.7	96.2	345.9	31.0	9.9	11.6	6.8	9.7
November r	24.3	52.4	202.0	254.4	97.7	352.1	31.8	10.1	11.8	6.9	9.9
December r	25.7	53.1	204.3	257.5	98.0	355.5	32.8	10.2	11.9	6.9	9.9
1992 —											
January r	27.4	54.0	204.9	258.9	96.8	355.6	34.0	10.2	12.0	6.8	9.9
February r	29.2	54.9	204.1	259.0	94.3	353.3	35.2	10.2	12.0	6.6	9.9
March r	31.0	55.9	202.7	258.6	91.0	349.6	36.5	10.1	12.0	6.4	9.8
April r	32.7	56.9	201.1	258.0	87.8	345.7	37.6	10.1	12.0	6.1	9.7
May	34.1	57.7	199.1	256.8	84.4	341.2	38.5	10.0	12.0	5.9	9.6
PERSONS											
1991 —											
March	48.7	110.1	521.3	631.4	141.2	772.5	25.2	8.4	9.5	7.6	9.1
April	49.8	112.3	539.5	651.7	140.4	792.2	26.3	8.6	9.8	7.6	9.3
May	50.9	114.4	554.7	669.1	139.0	808.1	27.2	8.9	10.0	7.5	9.5
June	51.9	116.2	567.3	683.5	137.3	820.8	27.9	9.1	10.3	7.4	9.6
July	52.6	117.2	579.2	696.4	136.2	832.6	28.3	9.3	10.4	7.4	9.8
August	53.2	117.7	591.8	709.5	136.6	846.1	28.5	9.4	10.6	7.4	9.9
September	54.1	118.1	605.1	723.2	138.3	861.4	28.7	9.6	10.8	7.5	10.1
October	55.2	118.8	617.7	736.5	140.9	877.3	29.0	9.8	11.0	7.6	10.2
November r	56.6	119.7	627.5	747.2	143.0	890.1	29.5	10.0	11.1	7.6	10.4
December r	58.5	120.7	633.3	754.0	143.2	897.2	30.2	10.0	11.3	7.6	10.4
1992 —											
January r	61.0	122.0	636.7	758.8	141.4	900.2	31.1	10.1	11.3	7.4	10.5
February r	64.0	123.6	639.3	762.9	137.9	900.8	31.9	10.2	11.4	7.2	10.5
March r	67.4	125.3	642.0	767.2	133.3	900.5	32.7	10.2	11.5	7.0	10.5
April r	70.6	126.9	644.6	771.4	128.7	900.2	33.4	10.3	11.6	6.7	10.5
May	73.4	128.2	646.4	774.7	124.1	898.8	33.9	10.3	11.6	6.4	10.5

TABLE 7. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 TO 19: FULL -TIME ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL OR A TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION, MAY 1992

AT SCHOOL OR A TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION, MAY 1992										
	<i>Employed</i>		<i>Unemployed</i>					<i>Civilian popu- lation aged 15-19</i>	<i>Unemp- loyment rate</i>	<i>Partici- pation rate</i>
	<i>Full-time workers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Looking for full- time work</i>	<i>Looking for part- time work - '000 -</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Labour force</i>	<i>Not in labour force</i>		<i>-per cent -</i>	
ATTENDING NEITHER SCHOOL NOR A TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION FULL TIME										
Males	153.8	181.6	59.7	* 0.9	60.6	242.2	14.1	256.2	25.0	94.5
Females	89.2	130.1	52.2	* 2.4	54.6	184.7	27.2	212.0	29.6	87.1
<i>Persons</i>	<i>243.0</i>	<i>311.7</i>	<i>111.9</i>	<i>* 3.2</i>	<i>115.2</i>	<i>426.9</i>	<i>41.3</i>	<i>468.2</i>	<i>27.0</i>	<i>91.2</i>
ATTENDING A TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION FULL TIME										
Males	3.9	35.0	4.9	* 3.3	8.2	43.2	57.9	101.1	19.0	42.7
Females	* 0.6	46.9	* 2.7	9.9	12.6	59.5	60.4	119.9	21.2	49.6
<i>Persons</i>	<i>4.5</i>	<i>81.8</i>	<i>7.6</i>	<i>13.2</i>	<i>20.8</i>	<i>102.6</i>	<i>118.3</i>	<i>220.9</i>	<i>20.3</i>	<i>46.5</i>
ATTENDING SCHOOL										
Males	* 0.6	71.7	* 3.3	18.4	21.6	93.3	224.0	317.3	23.2	29.4
Females	* 0.2	84.6	* 2.1	16.2	18.3	102.9	211.3	314.2	17.7	32.8
<i>Persons</i>	<i>* 0.8</i>	<i>156.4</i>	<i>5.3</i>	<i>34.5</i>	<i>39.9</i>	<i>196.2</i>	<i>435.2</i>	<i>631.5</i>	<i>20.3</i>	<i>31.1</i>
TOTAL										
Males	158.3	288.3	67.8	22.6	90.4	378.7	295.9	674.6	23.9	56.1
Females	90.0	261.6	57.1	28.4	85.4	347.1	298.9	646.0	24.6	53.7
Persons	248.3	549.9	124.9	51.0	175.8	725.8	594.8	1,320.6	24.2	55.0

TABLE 8. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER, STATES AND TERRITORIES, MAY 1992

STATES AND TERRITORIES, MAY 1992										
State or Territory	Employed		Unemployed			Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15 and over	Unemployment rate - per cent -	Participation rate
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for full-time work	Looking for part-time work	Total					
	-'000 -									
MALES										
New South Wales	1,359.9	1,506.3	163.2	11.5	174.8	1,681.1	606.1	2,287.2	10.4	73.5
Victoria	1,001.7	1,124.6	145.9	10.6	156.5	1,281.1	440.4	1,721.5	12.2	74.4
Queensland	680.9	767.9	90.7	8.5	99.2	867.1	296.2	1,163.4	11.4	74.5
South Australia	327.4	368.4	52.2	3.1	55.3	423.7	151.8	575.5	13.1	73.6
Western Australia	404.1	445.5	53.6	4.9	58.5	504.0	150.5	654.4	11.6	77.0
Tasmania	98.2	110.4	13.8	* 0.8	14.6	125.0	50.8	175.8	11.7	71.1
Northern Territory	36.5	43.0	2.9	* 0.4	3.3	46.4	11.7	58.1	7.2	79.8
Australian Capital Territory	74.2	83.5	5.0	1.8	6.8	90.4	21.1	111.4	7.6	81.1
Australia	3,982.8	4,449.7	527.3	41.7	569.0	5,018.7	1,728.6	6,747.3	11.3	74.4
FEMALES										
New South Wales	660.2	1,094.8	78.1	30.8	109.0	1,203.8	1,158.4	2,362.1	9.1	51.0
Victoria	471.1	817.5	81.6	22.9	104.5	922.0	862.9	1,784.9	11.3	51.7
Queensland	323.8	562.0	43.2	14.9	58.1	620.0	565.0	1,185.0	9.4	52.3
South Australia	140.6	267.5	25.5	7.3	32.7	300.3	290.7	591.0	10.9	50.8
Western Australia	174.0	318.0	24.6	8.7	33.3	351.2	302.0	653.2	9.5	53.8
Tasmania	40.4	76.9	5.4	2.8	8.2	85.1	96.3	181.4	9.6	46.9
Northern Territory	20.6	34.2	* 1.4	* 0.6	* 2.0	36.2	19.0	55.2	* 5.5	65.6
Australian Capital Territory	41.3	66.9	2.4	* 1.4	3.8	70.6	43.0	113.6	5.3	62.2
Australia	1,872.0	3,237.7	262.2	89.3	351.5	3,589.2	3,337.2	6,926.4	9.8	51.8
PERSONS										
New South Wales	2,020.1	2,601.2	241.4	42.3	283.7	2,884.9	1,764.5	4,649.3	9.8	62.0
Victoria	1,472.8	1,942.1	227.5	33.5	261.0	2,203.1	1,303.2	3,506.3	11.8	62.8
Queensland	1,004.7	1,329.9	133.9	23.4	157.3	1,487.1	861.2	2,348.4	10.6	63.3
South Australia	468.0	635.9	77.7	10.4	88.0	724.0	442.5	1,166.5	12.2	62.1
Western Australia	578.1	763.5	78.2	13.6	91.7	855.2	452.5	1,307.6	10.7	65.4
Tasmania	138.6	187.2	19.2	3.6	22.8	210.1	147.1	357.2	10.9	58.8
Northern Territory	57.1	77.3	4.3	* 1.0	5.3	82.6	30.8	113.3	6.4	72.9
Australian Capital Territory	115.5	150.4	7.4	3.2	10.6	161.0	64.0	225.0	6.6	71.5
Australia	5,854.8	7,687.5	789.5	130.9	920.4	8,607.9	5,065.8	13,673.7	10.7	63.0

TABLE 9. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS, STATES AND TERRITORIES

TABLE 3. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS, STATES AND TERRITORIES											
Month	Number looking for full-time work				Number looking for part-time work	Total	Unemployment rate				Total
	Aged 15-19			Aged 20 and over			Looking for full-time work			Looking for part-time work	
	Looking for first job	Total	Total - '000 -				Aged 15-19	Aged 20 and over	Total - per cent -		
NEW SOUTH WALES											
1991 — May	14.6	32.5	166.7	199.2	42.1	241.3	23.1	7.8	8.7	7.1	8.4
1992 — April	20.5	38.7	200.7	239.4	42.2	281.7	30.0	9.4	10.5	6.8	9.8
May	18.6	37.1	204.3	241.4	42.3	283.7	29.4	9.6	10.7	6.8	9.8
Standard error of —											
May 92 estimates	2.1	2.9	5.7	6.1	3.0	6.5	2.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.2
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	1.9	2.4	4.4	4.7	2.5	4.9	1.9	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2
VICTORIA											
1991 — May	12.2	28.5	152.4	180.9	40.6	221.5	30.6	9.4	10.6	8.3	10.1
1992 — April	19.9	30.4	190.2	220.6	36.8	257.4	40.0	11.8	13.0	7.2	11.7
May	21.9	37.3	190.2	227.5	33.5	261.0	46.1	11.7	13.4	6.7	11.8
Standard error of —											
May 92 estimates	2.3	2.9	5.5	5.9	2.7	6.2	3.5	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.3
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	1.8	2.2	3.9	4.2	2.2	4.4	2.7	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2
QUEENSLAND											
1991 — May	8.7	24.0	105.0	129.0	26.5	155.5	29.5	10.0	11.4	8.2	10.7
1992 — April	8.5	18.5	112.3	130.8	24.1	154.9	25.1	10.5	11.5	6.9	10.4
May	11.1	20.2	113.7	133.9	23.4	157.3	26.4	10.7	11.8	6.7	10.6
Standard error of —											
May 92 estimates	1.3	1.8	3.6	3.8	1.9	4.1	2.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.3
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	1.2	1.5	2.7	2.8	1.6	3.0	1.9	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2
SOUTH AUSTRALIA											
1991 — May	4.0	9.3	49.9	59.2	9.9	69.1	27.5	9.7	10.8	5.5	9.5
1992 — April	5.2	10.9	61.3	72.2	12.6	84.8	37.7	11.8	13.1	7.2	11.7
May	5.3	12.9	64.8	77.7	10.4	88.0	45.0	12.5	14.2	5.8	12.2
Standard error of —											
May 92 estimates	0.8	1.2	2.2	2.4	1.1	2.5	4.1	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.3
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	0.6	0.9	1.5	1.6	0.9	1.7	3.0	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.2
WESTERN AUSTRALIA											
1991 — May	3.1	10.5	63.3	73.8	11.9	85.8	25.1	10.6	11.6	5.9	10.2
1992 — April	5.8	13.2	64.5	77.7	14.6	92.3	30.9	10.7	12.0	7.1	10.8
May	6.7	12.7	65.4	78.2	13.6	91.7	29.3	10.7	11.9	6.8	10.7
Standard error of —											
May 92 estimates	0.9	1.2	2.4	2.6	1.3	2.7	2.8	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.3
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	0.8	1.0	1.8	1.9	1.1	2.0	2.4	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.2
TASMANIA											
1991 — May	1.4	4.3	15.1	19.4	2.4	21.8	31.6	9.9	11.7	5.0	10.1
1992 — April	1.6	3.3	16.4	19.7	3.0	22.7	28.6	11.1	12.3	5.6	10.6
May	2.4	4.0	15.2	19.2	3.6	22.8	33.9	10.4	12.2	6.9	10.9
Standard error of —											
May 92 estimates	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.9	0.5	1.0	4.3	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.5
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.7	3.3	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.4
NORTHERN TERRITORY											
1991 — May	*0.1	*0.4	5.6	6.0	*1.3	7.3	*9.9	9.0	9.0	*9.7	9.1
1992 — April	*0.3	*0.7	3.4	4.1	*0.5	4.6	*23.4	5.9	6.8	*2.2	5.6
May	*0.1	*0.3	4.0	4.3	*1.0	5.3	*13.0	6.7	6.9	*4.9	6.4
Standard error of —											
May 92 estimates	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.8	9.2	1.1	1.1	1.7	0.9
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.5	7.3	0.8	0.8	1.2	0.6
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY											
1991 — May	*0.4	1.5	5.6	7.1	2.8	9.9	27.5	4.6	5.6	8.8	6.2
1992 — April	*0.3	*1.1	8.3	9.3	3.3	12.6	*25.1	6.9	7.5	9.0	7.9
May	*0.1	*0.4	7.0	7.4	3.2	10.6	*11.7	5.9	6.0	8.3	6.6
Standard error of —											
May 92 estimates	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.8	5.9	0.6	0.6	1.3	0.5
Apr 92 to May 92 movements	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.7	6.5	0.5	0.5	1.1	0.4

TABLE 10. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

Month	Males					Females					Persons				
	Employed	Unemp-	Labour	Unemp-	Partic-	Employed	Unemp-	Labour	Unemp-	Partic-	Employed	Unemp-	Labour	Unemp-	Partic-
		loyed		loyment			loyed		loyment			loyed		loyment	
		- '000 -	force	rate	icipation		- '000 -	force	rate	icipation		- '000 -	force	rate	icipation
				- per	cent -				- per	cent -				- per	cent -
NEW SOUTH WALES															
1991 —															
March	1,537.6	142.2	1,679.8	8.5	74.5	1,065.1	91.9	1,157.0	7.9	49.8	2,602.7	234.1	2,836.8	8.3	62.0
April	1,539.4	149.5	1,688.9	8.9	74.8	1,081.6	93.3	1,174.8	7.9	50.5	2,621.0	242.7	2,863.7	8.5	62.5
May	1,537.9	146.1	1,684.0	8.7	74.5	1,084.5	91.1	1,175.6	7.8	50.5	2,622.4	237.3	2,859.6	8.3	62.3
June	1,530.0	142.7	1,672.7	8.5	73.9	1,073.6	92.7	1,166.3	7.9	50.0	2,603.6	235.4	2,839.0	8.3	61.8
July	1,511.8	150.8	1,662.6	9.1	73.4	1,053.7	97.4	1,151.2	8.5	49.3	2,565.5	248.3	2,813.8	8.8	61.2
August	1,524.1	162.2	1,686.3	9.6	74.4	1,079.1	103.0	1,182.1	8.7	50.6	2,603.2	265.2	2,868.4	9.2	62.3
September	1,516.2	164.2	1,680.4	9.8	74.1	1,071.3	113.5	1,184.8	9.6	50.6	2,587.6	277.7	2,865.3	9.7	62.2
October	1,507.7	170.2	1,677.9	10.1	73.9	1,065.6	109.7	1,175.3	9.3	50.2	2,573.2	279.9	2,853.2	9.8	61.8
November	1,512.0	169.7	1,681.7	10.1	73.9	1,059.3	118.0	1,177.2	10.0	50.2	2,571.3	287.6	2,858.9	10.1	61.9
December	1,505.9	175.4	1,681.3	10.4	73.8	1,066.9	119.9	1,186.8	10.1	50.5	2,572.8	295.3	2,868.1	10.3	62.0
1992 —															
January	1,504.8	170.9	1,675.7	10.2	73.5	1,079.5	112.0	1,191.5	9.4	50.7	2,584.3	282.9	2,867.2	9.9	61.9
February	1,511.1	170.9	1,682.0	10.2	73.7	1,078.9	115.4	1,194.2	9.7	50.7	2,590.0	286.2	2,876.3	10.0	62.0
March	1,517.5	163.6	1,681.0	9.7	73.6	1,084.8	106.2	1,191.0	8.9	50.5	2,602.2	269.8	2,872.0	9.4	61.9
April	1,509.3	171.0	1,680.4	10.2	73.5	1,090.2	107.4	1,197.6	9.0	50.8	2,599.5	278.4	2,877.9	9.7	62.0
May	1,502.9	174.2	1,677.1	10.4	73.3	1,087.5	104.7	1,192.2	8.8	50.5	2,590.4	278.9	2,869.3	9.7	61.7
VICTORIA															
1991 —															
March	1,145.1	119.3	1,264.4	9.4	74.3	848.9	84.6	933.6	9.1	53.0	1,994.1	203.9	2,198.0	9.3	63.4
April	1,133.6	130.5	1,264.2	10.3	74.2	847.0	94.4	941.4	10.0	53.4	1,980.7	224.9	2,205.6	10.2	63.6
May	1,132.2	127.8	1,260.0	10.1	73.9	844.0	91.9	936.0	9.8	53.0	1,976.2	219.8	2,196.0	10.0	63.3
June	1,123.7	136.7	1,260.4	10.8	73.9	847.2	88.0	935.2	9.4	52.9	1,971.0	224.6	2,195.6	10.2	63.2
July	1,121.5	135.5	1,256.9	10.8	73.6	834.3	88.8	923.1	9.6	52.2	1,955.7	224.3	2,180.0	10.3	62.7
August	1,127.9	142.7	1,270.6	11.2	74.3	853.8	84.0	937.8	9.0	53.0	1,981.7	226.6	2,208.3	10.3	63.4
September	1,131.0	145.6	1,276.7	11.4	74.6	850.7	95.5	946.3	10.1	53.4	1,981.8	241.2	2,222.9	10.8	63.8
October	1,137.1	140.0	1,277.0	11.0	74.6	847.2	91.4	938.7	9.7	52.9	1,984.3	231.4	2,215.7	10.4	63.5
November	1,126.6	146.2	1,272.8	11.5	74.3	841.0	94.9	935.9	10.1	52.7	1,967.6	241.1	2,208.7	10.9	63.3
December	1,132.9	143.5	1,276.4	11.2	74.4	844.6	101.4	946.0	10.7	53.2	1,977.5	244.9	2,222.4	11.0	63.6
1992 —															
January	1,136.8	143.8	1,280.6	11.2	74.6	846.4	100.9	947.4	10.7	53.2	1,983.3	244.8	2,228.0	11.0	63.7
February	1,124.2	147.8	1,272.0	11.6	74.0	833.9	96.7	930.6	10.4	52.3	1,958.1	244.5	2,202.6	11.1	63.0
March	1,124.7	157.9	1,282.6	12.3	74.6	826.5	98.0	924.5	10.6	51.9	1,951.2	255.9	2,207.0	11.6	63.0
April	1,121.0	148.0	1,269.0	11.7	73.8	818.1	95.9	914.0	10.5	51.2	1,939.1	243.9	2,183.0	11.2	62.3
May	1,120.8	157.1	1,277.9	12.3	74.2	817.6	101.8	919.4	11.1	51.5	1,938.4	258.9	2,197.3	11.8	62.7

TABLE 10. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES—continued

Month	Males					Females					Persons				
	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -
	QUEENSLAND														
1991 —															
March	761.9	89.5	851.5	10.5	75.3	540.5	57.3	597.9	9.6	51.9	1,302.5	146.8	1,449.3	10.1	63.5
April	762.7	89.3	852.1	10.5	75.2	540.0	63.5	603.5	10.5	52.3	1,302.8	152.8	1,455.6	10.5	63.7
May	755.4	90.6	846.0	10.7	74.5	535.5	61.1	596.5	10.2	51.6	1,290.8	151.7	1,442.5	10.5	63.0
June	773.1	78.7	851.8	9.2	74.9	538.2	59.2	597.4	9.9	51.6	1,311.4	137.9	1,449.2	9.5	63.1
July	764.5	88.4	852.9	10.4	74.8	538.9	62.2	601.1	10.3	51.8	1,303.3	150.6	1,453.9	10.4	63.2
August	772.7	84.6	857.3	9.9	75.1	542.8	59.3	602.1	9.9	51.8	1,315.5	143.9	1,459.4	9.9	63.3
September	778.8	86.4	865.1	10.0	75.6	541.3	57.8	599.0	9.6	51.4	1,320.0	144.2	1,464.2	9.8	63.4
October	777.9	86.4	864.3	10.0	75.4	543.2	56.1	599.4	9.4	51.4	1,321.1	142.6	1,463.7	9.7	63.3
November	775.4	87.7	863.1	10.2	75.2	542.0	58.1	600.2	9.7	51.3	1,317.4	145.9	1,463.3	10.0	63.1
December	776.1	92.4	868.6	10.6	75.5	554.8	54.9	609.7	9.0	52.0	1,330.9	147.4	1,478.3	10.0	63.7
1992 —															
January	772.1	90.6	862.7	10.5	74.8	559.7	59.9	619.6	9.7	52.8	1,331.9	150.5	1,482.4	10.2	63.7
February	776.1	90.7	866.7	10.5	75.0	562.0	65.0	627.0	10.4	53.3	1,338.1	155.6	1,493.7	10.4	64.0
March	772.3	89.1	861.5	10.3	74.4	556.2	58.8	615.0	9.6	52.1	1,328.5	147.9	1,476.4	10.0	63.2
April	774.9	86.3	861.2	10.0	74.2	558.7	57.5	616.2	9.3	52.1	1,333.6	143.8	1,477.3	9.7	63.1
May	766.5	95.6	862.0	11.1	74.1	556.2	57.8	613.9	9.4	51.8	1,322.7	153.3	1,476.0	10.4	62.9
	SOUTH AUSTRALIA														
1991 —															
March	386.2	39.8	426.0	9.4	75.2	268.1	28.1	296.2	9.5	50.8	654.3	67.9	722.2	9.4	62.8
April	382.5	44.1	426.6	10.3	75.2	273.7	29.2	302.8	9.6	51.9	656.2	73.3	729.4	10.0	63.4
May	381.1	42.3	423.3	10.0	74.5	274.2	27.9	302.1	9.2	51.7	655.3	70.2	725.5	9.7	63.0
June	378.5	44.0	422.5	10.4	74.3	277.5	26.1	303.6	8.6	51.9	656.0	70.1	726.1	9.7	62.9
July	366.2	45.5	411.7	11.1	72.3	271.5	27.9	299.4	9.3	51.2	637.7	73.4	711.1	10.3	61.6
August	370.8	46.4	417.2	11.1	73.2	271.9	27.2	299.0	9.1	51.0	642.7	73.5	716.2	10.3	62.0
September	368.1	47.4	415.6	11.4	72.8	272.7	27.9	300.6	9.3	51.3	640.8	75.3	716.2	10.5	61.9
October	368.2	49.5	417.7	11.8	73.1	272.3	27.3	299.5	9.1	51.0	640.5	76.8	717.2	10.7	61.9
November	368.6	49.6	418.2	11.9	73.1	272.4	29.7	302.1	9.8	51.4	641.0	79.3	720.3	11.0	62.1
December	370.2	51.0	421.2	12.1	73.5	269.4	31.2	300.6	10.4	51.1	639.6	82.2	721.8	11.4	62.2
1992 —															
January	371.5	50.0	421.5	11.9	73.5	270.3	29.8	300.1	9.9	51.0	641.9	79.7	721.6	11.1	62.1
February	368.3	53.9	422.2	12.8	73.6	268.3	29.2	297.5	9.8	50.5	636.6	83.1	719.6	11.5	61.9
March	370.9	53.8	424.7	12.7	73.9	265.6	28.0	293.6	9.6	49.8	636.4	81.8	718.3	11.4	61.7
April	369.5	54.3	423.8	12.8	73.7	265.3	31.9	297.3	10.7	50.3	634.8	86.3	721.0	12.0	61.9
May	369.0	56.4	425.4	13.3	73.9	264.6	33.0	297.6	11.1	50.4	633.7	89.3	723.0	12.4	62.0

TABLE 10. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES—continued

Month	Males					Females					Persons				
	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate cent -
WESTERN AUSTRALIA															
1991 —															
March	442.8	52.8	495.6	10.7	77.5	306.5	32.2	338.8	9.5	53.1	749.3	85.0	834.4	10.2	65.3
April	441.3	59.8	501.1	11.9	78.2	311.2	33.3	344.5	9.7	53.9	752.5	93.0	845.5	11.0	66.1
May	449.3	52.0	501.2	10.4	78.1	311.0	32.9	343.9	9.6	53.8	760.3	84.9	845.1	10.0	66.0
June	442.1	55.2	497.3	11.1	77.4	309.6	33.9	343.5	9.9	53.6	751.6	89.2	840.8	10.6	65.5
July	434.5	59.6	494.1	12.1	76.8	311.4	34.5	345.9	10.0	53.9	745.9	94.1	840.0	11.2	65.3
August	441.1	57.3	498.4	11.5	77.3	316.6	36.1	352.7	10.2	54.9	757.8	93.4	851.2	11.0	66.1
September	440.9	57.0	497.9	11.5	77.1	311.9	34.9	346.9	10.1	53.8	752.9	91.9	844.8	10.9	65.5
October	439.9	59.5	499.3	11.9	77.2	309.1	37.3	346.4	10.8	53.7	749.0	96.7	845.7	11.4	65.4
November	446.1	57.8	503.9	11.5	77.8	311.1	36.4	347.5	10.5	53.8	757.2	94.2	851.5	11.1	65.8
December	441.6	55.8	497.4	11.2	76.6	312.0	35.1	347.1	10.1	53.6	753.6	90.9	844.5	10.8	65.1
1992 —															
January	440.0	57.0	496.9	11.5	76.4	309.3	38.4	347.7	11.1	53.6	749.2	95.4	844.6	11.3	65.0
February	442.8	58.5	501.3	11.7	77.0	310.0	34.9	344.9	10.1	53.1	752.8	93.4	846.1	11.0	65.0
March	441.3	60.1	501.4	12.0	76.9	310.5	35.1	345.6	10.2	53.1	751.7	95.2	846.9	11.2	65.0
April	444.9	57.7	502.6	11.5	76.9	314.3	31.7	346.0	9.2	53.0	759.2	89.4	848.6	10.5	65.0
May	449.3	58.0	507.4	11.4	77.5	318.1	32.8	350.8	9.3	53.7	767.4	90.8	858.2	10.6	65.6
TASMANIA															
1991 —															
March	116.2	13.4	129.6	10.4	74.4	80.9	8.0	88.9	9.0	49.5	197.1	21.5	218.6	9.8	61.8
April	115.0	14.1	129.1	10.9	74.1	80.2	9.3	89.5	10.4	49.8	195.2	23.4	218.7	10.7	61.7
May	112.8	14.4	127.2	11.3	73.0	78.5	9.2	87.7	10.5	48.7	191.3	23.6	214.9	11.0	60.7
June	111.8	15.1	126.9	11.9	72.8	80.3	9.8	90.1	10.9	50.0	192.1	24.9	217.0	11.5	61.2
July	113.1	14.4	127.5	11.3	73.0	80.1	9.7	89.8	10.8	49.8	193.3	24.1	217.3	11.1	61.3
August	112.7	15.3	128.0	12.0	73.3	80.9	9.9	90.8	10.9	50.4	193.6	25.2	218.8	11.5	61.6
September	113.2	15.4	128.6	12.0	73.5	81.6	9.4	91.0	10.3	50.4	194.9	24.8	219.6	11.3	61.8
October	112.6	14.9	127.5	11.7	72.9	81.5	8.7	90.1	9.6	49.9	194.1	23.6	217.7	10.8	61.2
November	111.9	15.5	127.4	12.2	72.8	79.8	9.5	89.3	10.6	49.4	191.7	25.0	216.7	11.5	60.9
December	112.2	15.0	127.2	11.8	72.6	78.8	8.7	87.5	9.9	48.4	191.1	23.7	214.7	11.0	60.3
1992 —															
January	112.0	14.9	126.9	11.7	72.3	78.7	8.4	87.1	9.7	48.1	190.6	23.3	214.0	10.9	60.0
February	112.0	14.4	126.5	11.4	72.0	80.5	8.8	89.2	9.8	49.3	192.5	23.2	215.7	10.8	60.5
March	110.8	15.3	126.1	12.1	71.8	78.7	8.4	87.1	9.6	48.0	189.5	23.6	213.2	11.1	59.7
April	109.0	15.5	124.5	12.4	70.9	79.7	7.8	87.5	8.9	48.3	188.7	23.3	212.0	11.0	59.4
May	109.9	15.3	125.2	12.2	71.2	75.1	9.4	84.5	11.2	46.6	185.0	24.7	209.7	11.8	58.7

TABLE 11. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: TREND SERIES

Month	Males					Females					Persons				
	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -
	NEW SOUTH WALES														
1991 —															
March	1,540.8	139.2	1,680.1	8.3	74.5	1,076.0	90.6	1,166.5	7.8	50.2	2,616.8	229.8	2,846.6	8.1	62.2
April	1,536.9	142.9	1,679.8	8.5	74.4	1,075.3	91.7	1,167.0	7.9	50.2	2,612.2	234.6	2,846.8	8.2	62.1
May	1,532.5	146.3	1,678.7	8.7	74.3	1,074.4	93.1	1,167.5	8.0	50.1	2,606.9	239.4	2,846.3	8.4	62.0
June	1,527.8	149.8	1,677.7	8.9	74.2	1,073.3	95.4	1,168.7	8.2	50.1	2,601.1	245.2	2,846.3	8.6	62.0
July	1,523.2	153.9	1,677.1	9.2	74.1	1,071.3	99.1	1,170.4	8.5	50.1	2,594.5	253.0	2,847.4	8.9	61.9
August	1,518.4	158.7	1,677.1	9.5	74.0	1,068.7	103.8	1,172.5	8.9	50.2	2,587.1	262.5	2,849.6	9.2	61.9
September	1,514.1	163.9	1,678.0	9.8	74.0	1,066.6	108.9	1,175.5	9.3	50.2	2,580.7	272.8	2,853.5	9.6	61.9
October	1,510.9	168.4	1,679.3	10.0	73.9	1,065.9	113.1	1,179.1	9.6	50.3	2,576.8	281.5	2,858.4	9.8	61.9
November r	1,509.3	171.1	1,680.4	10.2	73.9	1,067.3	115.7	1,183.0	9.8	50.4	2,576.6	286.8	2,863.4	10.0	62.0
December r	1,508.9	171.6	1,680.5	10.2	73.8	1,070.3	116.0	1,186.3	9.8	50.5	2,579.2	287.6	2,866.8	10.0	62.0
1992 —															
January r	1,509.1	171.0	1,680.0	10.2	73.7	1,074.2	114.5	1,188.8	9.6	50.6	2,583.3	285.5	2,868.8	10.0	62.0
February r	1,509.6	170.4	1,679.9	10.1	73.6	1,079.1	112.3	1,191.4	9.4	50.6	2,588.7	282.6	2,871.3	9.8	61.9
March r	1,509.8	170.1	1,679.8	10.1	73.5	1,083.7	109.8	1,193.5	9.2	50.6	2,593.4	279.9	2,873.4	9.7	61.9
April r	1,509.5	170.1	1,679.6	10.1	73.5	1,087.4	107.6	1,195.0	9.0	50.6	2,596.9	277.7	2,874.6	9.7	61.9
May	1,508.7	170.4	1,679.1	10.1	73.4	1,090.5	105.3	1,195.7	8.8	50.6	2,599.1	275.7	2,874.8	9.6	61.8
VICTORIA															
1991 —															
March	1,149.4	118.2	1,267.7	9.3	74.5	852.5	86.8	939.3	9.2	53.3	2,001.9	205.1	2,207.0	9.3	63.7
April	1,138.6	124.5	1,263.0	9.9	74.1	847.9	88.5	936.4	9.5	53.1	1,986.4	213.0	2,199.5	9.7	63.4
May	1,130.5	130.3	1,260.8	10.3	73.9	845.2	89.5	934.7	9.6	52.9	1,975.8	219.8	2,195.5	10.0	63.3
June	1,126.2	135.1	1,261.3	10.7	73.9	844.5	89.6	934.0	9.6	52.8	1,970.6	224.7	2,195.3	10.2	63.2
July	1,125.2	138.6	1,263.8	11.0	74.0	844.9	89.3	934.3	9.6	52.8	1,970.1	227.9	2,198.1	10.4	63.2
August	1,126.7	141.0	1,267.6	11.1	74.2	846.1	89.7	935.8	9.6	52.8	1,972.8	230.7	2,203.5	10.5	63.3
September	1,129.2	142.3	1,271.5	11.2	74.3	847.2	91.1	938.4	9.7	52.9	1,976.4	233.4	2,209.8	10.6	63.4
October	1,131.4	143.3	1,274.6	11.2	74.4	847.6	93.5	941.1	9.9	53.0	1,978.9	236.8	2,215.7	10.7	63.5
November r	1,132.5	144.1	1,276.6	11.3	74.5	846.6	96.0	942.6	10.2	53.1	1,979.1	240.1	2,219.2	10.8	63.6
December r	1,132.0	145.1	1,277.1	11.4	74.4	843.7	97.7	941.4	10.4	52.9	1,975.7	242.8	2,218.5	10.9	63.5
1992 —															
January r	1,130.1	146.7	1,276.8	11.5	74.4	839.1	98.5	937.5	10.5	52.7	1,969.2	245.2	2,214.3	11.1	63.3
February r	1,127.7	148.8	1,276.4	11.7	74.3	833.8	98.6	932.4	10.6	52.4	1,961.4	247.4	2,208.8	11.2	63.1
March r	1,125.2	151.0	1,276.2	11.8	74.2	828.3	98.7	927.0	10.6	52.0	1,953.5	249.7	2,203.2	11.3	62.9
April r	1,122.8	153.1	1,275.9	12.0	74.2	823.0	98.9	921.9	10.7	51.7	1,945.9	251.9	2,197.8	11.5	62.7
May	1,121.2	154.6	1,275.8	12.1	74.1	818.5	98.8	917.3	10.8	51.4	1,939.7	253.4	2,193.1	11.6	62.5

TABLE 11. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: TREND SERIES—continued

Month	Males					Females					Persons				
	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -
QUEENSLAND															
1991 —															
March	761.6	86.4	848.0	10.2	75.0	539.1	58.7	597.8	9.8	51.9	1,300.7	145.1	1,445.8	10.0	63.4
April	761.4	87.1	848.6	10.3	74.9	538.5	60.1	598.5	10.0	51.9	1,299.9	147.2	1,447.1	10.2	63.3
May	762.8	87.1	850.0	10.3	74.9	538.4	60.9	599.2	10.2	51.8	1,301.2	148.0	1,449.2	10.2	63.3
June	765.6	86.5	852.1	10.1	74.9	538.5	61.0	599.5	10.2	51.8	1,304.1	147.5	1,451.5	10.2	63.2
July	769.2	85.6	854.8	10.0	75.0	538.8	60.4	599.2	10.1	51.6	1,308.0	146.0	1,454.0	10.0	63.2
August	772.6	85.4	857.9	10.0	75.1	539.8	59.1	598.9	9.9	51.5	1,312.3	144.5	1,456.9	9.9	63.2
September	775.1	86.1	861.2	10.0	75.3	541.6	58.0	599.6	9.7	51.5	1,316.7	144.1	1,460.8	9.9	63.3
October	776.4	87.5	863.9	10.1	75.4	544.6	57.5	602.1	9.5	51.6	1,321.0	144.9	1,465.9	9.9	63.4
November r	776.6	88.8	865.4	10.3	75.4	548.4	57.7	606.1	9.5	51.8	1,325.0	146.5	1,471.4	10.0	63.5
December r	776.0	89.6	865.5	10.3	75.2	552.2	58.3	610.6	9.6	52.1	1,328.2	147.9	1,476.1	10.0	63.6
1992 —															
January r	775.0	89.9	864.9	10.4	75.0	555.6	59.1	614.7	9.6	52.3	1,330.5	149.1	1,479.6	10.1	63.6
February r	773.9	90.2	864.0	10.4	74.8	557.8	59.6	617.4	9.7	52.5	1,331.7	149.8	1,481.5	10.1	63.5
March r	772.8	90.4	863.2	10.5	74.5	558.9	59.7	618.6	9.6	52.4	1,331.7	150.0	1,481.8	10.1	63.4
April r	771.7	90.6	862.4	10.5	74.3	559.3	59.4	618.7	9.6	52.3	1,331.0	150.1	1,481.1	10.1	63.2
May	770.7	91.0	861.7	10.6	74.1	559.2	58.9	618.1	9.5	52.2	1,329.9	149.9	1,479.8	10.1	63.0
SOUTH AUSTRALIA															
1991 —															
March	385.0	41.2	426.2	9.7	75.2	273.7	27.6	301.2	9.1	51.7	658.6	68.8	727.4	9.5	63.3
April	382.6	42.1	424.7	9.9	74.9	273.3	27.8	301.1	9.2	51.6	655.9	70.0	725.9	9.6	63.1
May	379.4	43.2	422.5	10.2	74.4	273.3	27.8	301.1	9.2	51.5	652.7	70.9	723.6	9.8	62.8
June	375.7	44.2	419.9	10.5	73.8	273.5	27.5	301.0	9.1	51.5	649.2	71.7	720.9	9.9	62.5
July	372.3	45.4	417.7	10.9	73.4	273.5	27.3	300.9	9.1	51.4	645.9	72.7	718.6	10.1	62.2
August	369.8	46.5	416.4	11.2	73.0	273.2	27.5	300.6	9.1	51.3	643.0	74.0	717.0	10.3	62.0
September	368.5	47.6	416.1	11.4	72.9	272.6	27.9	300.5	9.3	51.2	641.1	75.5	716.7	10.5	61.9
October	368.3	48.7	417.0	11.7	73.0	272.0	28.5	300.5	9.5	51.2	640.3	77.2	717.5	10.8	61.9
November r	368.8	49.7	418.5	11.9	73.1	271.3	29.1	300.4	9.7	51.1	640.1	78.8	718.9	11.0	62.0
December r	369.5	50.6	420.2	12.1	73.3	270.5	29.4	299.9	9.8	51.0	640.0	80.0	720.0	11.1	62.0
1992 —															
January r	369.9	51.6	421.5	12.3	73.5	269.3	29.7	299.0	9.9	50.8	639.2	81.3	720.5	11.3	62.0
February r	370.0	52.7	422.6	12.5	73.6	267.9	30.0	297.9	10.1	50.5	637.9	82.7	720.6	11.5	61.9
March r	369.9	53.7	423.6	12.7	73.7	266.7	30.4	297.0	10.2	50.3	636.6	84.1	720.7	11.7	61.9
April r	369.7	54.7	424.5	12.9	73.8	265.5	30.9	296.4	10.4	50.2	635.3	85.6	720.9	11.9	61.9
May	369.5	55.6	425.1	13.1	73.9	264.6	31.3	295.9	10.6	50.1	634.2	86.9	721.1	12.1	61.8

TABLE 11. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: TREND SERIES—continued

Month	Males					Females					Persons				
	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed - '000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -
WESTERN AUSTRALIA															
1991 —															
March	444.4	52.6	497.1	10.6	77.7	309.2	31.6	340.8	9.3	53.5	753.6	84.3	837.9	10.1	65.6
April	443.6	54.5	498.2	10.9	77.8	309.5	32.6	342.1	9.5	53.6	753.1	87.1	840.3	10.4	65.7
May	442.5	55.9	498.4	11.2	77.7	310.3	33.5	343.8	9.7	53.7	752.9	89.3	842.2	10.6	65.7
June	441.4	56.8	498.1	11.4	77.5	311.3	34.2	345.5	9.9	53.9	752.7	90.9	843.6	10.8	65.7
July	440.6	57.3	498.0	11.5	77.4	312.1	34.8	346.8	10.0	54.0	752.7	92.1	844.8	10.9	65.7
August	440.4	57.7	498.0	11.6	77.3	312.4	35.3	347.7	10.2	54.1	752.8	93.0	845.8	11.0	65.7
September	440.6	57.8	498.4	11.6	77.2	312.2	35.9	348.1	10.3	54.0	752.8	93.7	846.4	11.1	65.6
October	441.1	57.8	498.9	11.6	77.1	311.6	36.4	348.0	10.4	53.9	752.7	94.1	846.9	11.1	65.5
November r	441.6	57.7	499.3	11.6	77.1	310.8	36.6	347.4	10.5	53.7	752.4	94.3	846.7	11.1	65.4
December r	442.0	57.6	499.5	11.5	77.0	310.3	36.5	346.8	10.5	53.5	752.2	94.1	846.3	11.1	65.3
1992 —															
January r	442.1	57.7	499.8	11.6	76.9	310.3	36.0	346.4	10.4	53.4	752.4	93.8	846.2	11.1	65.1
February r	442.6	58.0	500.5	11.6	76.9	311.1	35.3	346.4	10.2	53.3	753.7	93.3	847.0	11.0	65.1
March r	443.5	58.2	501.7	11.6	76.9	312.2	34.4	346.7	9.9	53.2	755.7	92.7	848.4	10.9	65.1
April r	444.6	58.4	503.0	11.6	77.0	313.6	33.5	347.1	9.7	53.2	758.2	91.9	850.1	10.8	65.1
May	445.7	58.6	504.3	11.6	77.1	314.8	32.8	347.6	9.4	53.2	760.4	91.4	851.9	10.7	65.1
TASMANIA															
1991 —															
March	115.4	13.5	128.8	10.5	74.0	80.3	8.6	88.8	9.6	49.4	195.6	22.0	217.7	10.1	61.5
April	114.4	14.0	128.4	10.9	73.7	80.0	9.0	89.0	10.1	49.5	194.4	22.9	217.4	10.5	61.4
May	113.6	14.4	128.0	11.2	73.4	79.9	9.3	89.3	10.4	49.6	193.6	23.7	217.3	10.9	61.3
June	113.1	14.7	127.8	11.5	73.2	80.1	9.6	89.7	10.7	49.8	193.2	24.3	217.5	11.2	61.3
July	112.7	15.0	127.7	11.7	73.1	80.4	9.7	90.1	10.7	50.0	193.1	24.7	217.8	11.3	61.4
August	112.6	15.1	127.7	11.9	73.1	80.7	9.6	90.4	10.6	50.1	193.3	24.8	218.1	11.4	61.4
September	112.6	15.2	127.8	11.9	73.1	80.8	9.4	90.3	10.5	50.0	193.4	24.7	218.1	11.3	61.4
October	112.6	15.2	127.8	11.9	73.0	80.6	9.2	89.9	10.3	49.8	193.2	24.4	217.7	11.2	61.2
November r	112.5	15.1	127.6	11.8	72.9	80.3	9.0	89.3	10.1	49.4	192.8	24.1	216.9	11.1	60.9
December r	112.2	15.0	127.2	11.8	72.6	79.9	8.8	88.7	9.9	49.0	192.1	23.8	215.9	11.0	60.6
1992 —															
January r	111.8	15.0	126.8	11.8	72.3	79.5	8.6	88.1	9.8	48.7	191.3	23.6	214.9	11.0	60.3
February r	111.3	15.0	126.3	11.9	71.9	79.1	8.5	87.6	9.7	48.4	190.4	23.5	213.9	11.0	60.0
March r	110.7	15.1	125.8	12.0	71.6	78.7	8.5	87.2	9.8	48.1	189.4	23.6	213.0	11.1	59.7
April r	110.2	15.2	125.4	12.1	71.4	78.1	8.5	86.6	9.8	47.8	188.4	23.7	212.0	11.2	59.4
May	109.8	15.2	125.0	12.2	71.1	77.6	8.5	86.2	9.9	47.5	187.4	23.8	211.2	11.3	59.1

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains preliminary estimates of the civilian labour force derived from the labour force survey part of the monthly population survey. Estimates for the current month are preliminary and subject to revision. Revised estimates for the current month and more detailed estimates will be published in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

The population survey

2. The population survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 34,000 houses, flats, etc.) and a list sample of non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.), and covers about three-fifths of one per cent of the population of Australia. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers. The interviews are generally conducted during the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and 12th of each month. The information obtained relates to the week before the interview (i.e. the reference week).

Scope

3. The labour force survey includes all persons aged 15 and over except: members of the permanent defence forces; certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations; overseas residents in Australia; and members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependents) stationed in Australia.

Coverage

4. In the labour force survey, coverage rules are applied which aim to ensure that each person is associated with only one dwelling, and hence has only one chance of selection. The coverage rules are, necessarily, a balance between theoretical and operational considerations. Nevertheless, the chance of a person being enumerated at two separate dwellings in the survey is considered to be negligible.

Population benchmarks

5. New benchmarks based on the results of the 1986 Census of Population and Housing were introduced in the February 1989 issue of this publication. Labour force estimates were revised for the period January 1984 to January 1989. All estimates produced after January 1989 are based on the new benchmarks.

Revision of series

6. From April 1986, the definition of employed persons was changed to include persons who worked without pay between 1 and 14 hours per week in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers). For further information, see paragraphs 36 and 37 of the Explanatory Notes to the February 1987 issue of *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

7. The LFS sample was redesigned and reselected using information collected in the 1986 Census of Population and Housing. The new sample was phased in over the period September 1987 to December 1987. For details, see *Information Paper - Labour Force Survey - Sample Design* (6269.0).

Survey sample redesign

8. Two types of error are possible in an estimate based on a sample survey: sampling error and non-sampling error. The *sampling error* is a measure of the variability that occurs by chance because a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed. One measure of the likely difference resulting from not including all dwellings in the survey is given by the *standard error*. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors.

Reliability of the estimates

9. Standard errors of estimates for the latest month and of estimates of movements since the previous month are shown in the tables. Standard errors of other estimates and other movements may be determined by using information in the Technical Note in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

10. The smaller the estimate the higher is the relative standard error. Very small estimates are subject to high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) which detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. In the tables in this publication, only estimates with relative standard errors of 25 per cent or less, and percentages based on such estimates, are considered sufficiently reliable for most purposes. However, estimates and percentages with larger relative standard errors have been included and are preceded by an asterisk (eg. * 3.4) to indicate they are subject to high standard errors and should be used with caution.

11. Examples of the calculation and use of standard errors are given below:

- (a) An estimate of 300,000 unemployed males looking for full-time work has a standard error of about 6,900. Therefore there are about two chances in three that the number that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the

survey will be within the range 293,100 to 306,900 and about nineteen chances in twenty that the number will be within the range 286,200 to 313,800.

- (b) On an estimate of movement of +28,300 in the number of unemployed males looking for full-time work from one month to the next (with the highest of the two monthly level estimates being 300,000) the standard error is about 5,300. Therefore, there are about two chances in three that if all dwellings had been included in the surveys the movement would have been within the range +23,000 to +33,600, and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range +17,700 to +38,900.

12. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents, errors made in collection such as in recording and coding of data, and errors made in processing the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the *non-sampling error*, and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

Seasonal adjustment and trend estimation

13. Seasonally adjusted series are published in Tables 2, 5 and 10. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variation.

14. Smoothing seasonally adjusted series produces a measure of trend by reducing the impact of the irregular component of the series. The trend estimates have been derived by applying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to the series. Trend series are used to analyse the underlying behaviour of the series over time. These are published in Tables 3, 6 and 11.

15. While this smoothing technique enables estimates to be produced for the latest month, it does result in revisions to the most recent months as additional observations become available. Generally, subsequent revisions become smaller, and after three months have a negligible impact on the series. There will also be revisions as a result of the annual review of seasonal factors.

16. Users may wish to refer to the ABS Information Papers *A Guide to Smoothing Time Series - Estimates of 'Trend'* (1316.0), and *Time Series Decomposition - an Overview* (1317.0) for more detailed information on smoothing of seasonally adjusted time series data.

Semi-logarithmic graphs

17. Graphs on page 2 have been drawn using a logarithmic vertical scale to aid comparison of rates of growth in series of differing magnitude. Equal distances on the vertical scale (over equal time periods) indicate equal rates of growth for graphs on the same page.

Related publications

18. Users may also wish to refer to *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). This publication contains a detailed list of related publications which are available on request.

19. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

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20. As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS may have other relevant unpublished data available. Inquiries should be made to Don Clark on Canberra (06) 252 6525 or any ABS State office.

Symbols and other usages

* subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses. See the Technical Notes in 6203.0 for more details.

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21. Estimates have been rounded and discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

Forthcoming issues

22. The following table shows the dates on which *The Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary*, (6202.0) publication is scheduled to be released.

Issue	Release Date
1992 June	9 July 1992
July	6 August 1992
August	10 September 1992
September	8 October 1992
October	12 November 1992
November	10 December 1992

GLOSSARY

Attending school: Persons aged 15 to 19 who, during the reference week, were enrolled full time at secondary or high schools.

Attending tertiary educational institution full time: Persons aged 15 to 24 who, during the reference week, were enrolled full time at universities, colleges of advanced education, technical colleges, colleges of technical and further education and theological colleges.

Employed: Persons aged 15 and over who, during the reference week:

- (a) worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (comprising employees, employers and self-employed persons); or
- (b) worked for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers); or
- (c) were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or
- (d) were employers, self-employed persons or unpaid family helpers who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

Full-time workers: Employed persons who usually worked 35 hours or more a week (in all jobs) and others who, although usually working less than 35 hours a week, worked 35 hours or more during the reference week.

Labour force: For any group, persons who were employed or unemployed, as defined.

Labour force status: A classification of the civilian population aged 15 and over into employed, unemployed or not in the labour force, as defined. The definitions conform closely to the international standard definitions adopted by the International Conferences of Labour Statisticians.

Not in the labour force: Persons who were not in the categories employed or unemployed as defined.

Participation rate: For any group, the labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group.

Part-time workers: Employed persons who usually worked less than 35 hours a week and who did so during the reference week.

Seasonally adjusted series: A time series of estimates with the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation removed. See paragraph 13 of the Explanatory Notes for more detail.

Trend series: A smoothed seasonally adjusted series of estimates. See paragraphs 14 to 16 of the Explanatory Notes for more detail.

Unemployed: Persons aged 15 and over who were not employed during the reference week, and:

- (a) had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week and:
 - (i) were available for work in the reference week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the reference week); or
 - (ii) were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the reference week and would have started in the reference week if the job had been available then; or
- (b) were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week (including the whole of the reference week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.

Unemployed looking for first full-time job: Unemployed persons looking for full-time work (as defined) who had never worked full time for two weeks or more.

Unemployed looking for full-time work: Unemployed persons who actively looked for full-time work or were to resume a full-time job, from which they had been stood down.

Unemployed looking for part-time work: Unemployed persons who had actively looked for part-time work only, or were to resume a part-time job, from which they had been stood down.

Unemployment rate: For any group, the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

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